

CRAIG INCIDENT





FACT SHEET

Friday, August 8, 2008 0800 a.m. www.fire.ca.gov

Information Line: 530-538-7826

Incident Name: Craig Incident **Incident Number:** CABTU009395

Location: Butte County

Command Team: CAL FIRE Incident Command Team #5

Incident Type: Wildland Fire

Total Acres: 2,500 Acres Cause: Under Investigation

% Containment: 50% Estimated Containment: 8/10/08

Fatalities: 0 **Injuries:** 9 **Structures Threatened**: 75

Structures Destroyed: 1 residence and 1 outbuilding

Resources:

Hand Crews: 42 Dozers: 29 Engines: 120 Helicopters: 12 Tankers: 5

Water Tenders: 23 Overhead Personnel: 150 Total Personnel: 1,441

Current Situation:

The fire continues to move north and northeast towards the middle fork of the Feather River. Due to erratic wind behavior Thursday afternoon, a spot fire developed across the containment line on the northeast section of the fire but was held successfully at the contingency line. Fire crews will continue to improve the containment lines around the fire and are expected to make good progress again today. The south and west sections of the fire are secure

Road Closures:

Lumpkin Road closed at Happy Hollow Lane. Only local residents that live in the precautionary evacuation areas will be allowed through with proper identification.

Immediate Threat Evacuations:

All roads north of Lumpkin Road beginning at Cedar Tree Lane including Mills Ranch Road, Onyett Road, Kanaka Ranch Road to Island Bar Hill Road.

Precautionary Evacuations:

Cochise Drive, Blackhawk Trail, Crystal Ranch Road, Toyon Hills Drive and all roads south of Lumpkin Road, east of Happy Hollow Lane to the end of the pavement.

Evacuation Center:

Church of the Nazarene, 2238 Monte Vista Avenue, Oroville. The evacuation center is currently closed but can reopen within two hours if needed.

Additional Information:

- All residents who live in or near the affected areas should continue to maintain a heightened state of awareness. Officials are encouraging residents to monitor the fire situation in and around their area via local radio, television and other media outlets and CAL FIRE at www.fire.ca.gov and the Butte County web site at www.buttecounty.net. If conditions change, fire and law enforcement officials will make immediate notification.
- As a result of the lighting activity that occurred late Monday and early Tuesday morning, there were seventeen additional fires. Out of those seventeen fires, three were significant; The Webb Fire located in the Webb Hollow Cohasset area, the Chico Fire located south of Soda Springs off of Highway 32 and the Pine Fire located northeast of the Chico. Eight of the seventeen fires were contained to ¼ of an acre or less. The series of lightning fires are at ninety percent containment.
- For residents of the Berry Creek Area, CALFIRE wants residents to be aware that they will be seeing an increase of fire resources in their area. Additional resources are being sent to the area as part of a contingency plan if weather conditions change, which could affect firefighting efforts.
- The annual Berry Creek Berry Festival will take place Saturday August 9th at the Berry Creek Grange from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This community event will offer live music, crafts and hundreds of berries for sale and fun for the whole family.